**DTC workers on strike**

1823. SHRI KAPIL VERMA:
SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA:

Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 258 given in the Rajya Sabha on 25th February, 1987 and state:

(a) what were the reasons for the D.T.C. workers to go on strike on 14th January, 1987;

(b) what is the reaction of Government thereto; and

(c) what steps Government propose to take to remove the grievances of the D.T.C. employees?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) The demand of DTC employees is for the grant of pay scales recommended by the IV Pay Commission for Central Government employees.

(b) and (c) Revision in the pay scales of public sector undertakings having Central pay pattern has been referred to the High Power Pay Committee set up under the directions of the Supreme Court. As regards the claim of DTC employees for applicability of Central Government pay pattern to them, the matter is under consideration.

**Alleged fraud in School of Computer sciences and Systems of Jawaharlal Nehru Universtiy**

1824. SHRI SURAJ PRASAD:
SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the reported fraud and misappropriation of funds in the School of Computer Sciences and Systems of Jawaharlal Nehru Universtiy (JNU);

(b) if so, whether Government's attention has been drawn to a news item appearing in "The Sunday Observer" dated 8th to 14th February, 1987 in this regard; and

(c) if so, what action has been taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) to (c) According to the Jawaharlal Nehru University there has been no fraud or misappropriation of funds in the purchase of computers. The decision for purchasing them was taken by the competent authorities taking into account the relative superiority and price of the computers. As the allegations made in the press report are baseless the Dean, School of Computer and Systems Sciences, has given legal notice to the Editor of paper for defamation.

**छितौनी–बगहा रेल पुल**

1825. **श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय :** क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) गंडक नदी पर छितौनी-बगहा रेल पुल परियोजना को क्रियान्वित करने और उसे पूरा करने के लिए सरकार द्वारा क्या कार्यवाही की जा रही है और इस परियोजना को अब तक पूरी तरह से क्रियान्वित नहीं करने के क्या कारण हैं; और

(ख) इस रेल पुल के कब तक चालू हो जाने की संभावना है ?

**रेल मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री माधवराव सिंधिया) :** (क) सिंचाई मंत्रालय ने 1973 में सुझाव दिया था कि रेलवे गंडक नदी पर पुल के निर्माण के लिए, गंडक उच्च स्तरीय तकनीकी समिति की सिफारिशों पर छितौनी में स्थापित किये जाने वाले बाढ़ नियंत्रण स्थल का लाभ उठा सकती है । बाढ़ नियंत्रण उपाय के रूप में सेवित करने वाले पुल की लागत सिंचाई मंत्रालय, उत्तर प्रदेश और बिहार

सरकारों तथा रेल मंत्रालय द्वारा वहन करने की सहमति हुई थी। उनके द्वारा रेलों के पास प्रारंभिक निक्षेप की राशि भी जमा करा दी गयी थी। 1982 में, जब योजना को अंतिम रूप दिया गया था और लागत को अद्यतन किया गया था तब सिंचाई मंत्रालय ने हिस्से की बढ़ी हुई लागत वहन करने से इनकार कर दिया था। बिहार सरकार भी साझेदारी से हटने के लिए अपना मत व्यक्त कर चुकी है। उत्तर प्रदेश सरकार ने अभी तक कोई जवाब नहीं दिया है।

(ख) वित्तीय व्यवस्था का समाधान हो जाने के बाद ही इसके निर्माण के बारे में विचार किया जा सकता है।

**Flights undertaken by Vayudoot**

1826. SHRI SURESH KALMADI:
SHRI DHARAM CHANDER PRASANT:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of flights undertaken by Vayudoot during the last three years and from how many airports do they operate;

(b) whether there have been any complaints regarding maintenance of aircraft and frequent cancellation of flights;

(c) whether there have been complaints by pilots flying Vayudoot of fatigue or of flying beyond prescribed flying hours; and

(d) what are the reasons for the proposed expansion of the Vayudoot?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) Vayudoot is presently operating to 81 stations throughout the country. The details of the flights operated by Vayudoot in the last three years are shown in the Annexure enclosed. [*See* Appendix CXLI, Annexure No. 76].

(b) There have been complaints only about delays/cancellations of flights.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) The main obective of proposed expansion of Vayudoot is to provide air-links to remote and hitherto inaccessible areas as well as to air-link such stations as are important from the commercial and tourist point of view and have not been airlinked by Indian Airlines.

**New Post Offices in Uttar Pradesh**

1827. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI:
SHRI GHAN SHYAM SINGH:

Will the Ministe rof COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to open new post offices in Uttar Pradesh during the next financial year; and

(b) if so, what are the names of the towns and villages where these post offices are likely to be opened?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SANTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) and (b) No proposal for opening of new post offices in Uttar Pradesh are at present under consideration. However, all the Heads of Postal Circles including Uttar Pradesh have been asked to carry out a survey and propose opening of new post offices in the light of the revised norms recently introduced.

**Meeting of Executive Council of Central University**

1828. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI:
SHRI GHAN SHYAM SINGH:

Will the Minster of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of meetings of Executive Council of Central Universities held during the years 1985 and 1986;

(b) the number of meeting of the courts of Central Universtites held during the years 1985 and 1986;